



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5101:4-6-32 Food Assistance: substantial lottery and gambling winnings.

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Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP) assistance groups (AGs) that include any member that receives substantial lottery or gambling winnings, as defined in rule 5101:4-1-03 of the Administrative Code, during their certification period are ineligible for SNAP.

(A) What are the responsibilities of an AG when any member receives substantial lottery or gambling winnings?

The AG is to report to the county agency the receipt of substantial lottery or gambling winnings in accordance with the reporting requirements and time frames outlined in rule 5101:4-7-01 of the Administrative Code.

(B) What are the responsibilities of the county agency when any AG member receives substantial lottery or gambling winnings?

The county agency is to:

- (1) Consider only the portion of the winnings allocated to the member of the AG when multiple individuals share in the purchase of a ticket, hand, or a similar bet;
- (2) Follow the procedures described in rule 5101:4-7-01 of the Administrative Code to clarify information that is obtained from a match or a source other than the AG, or when the information obtained is incomplete or otherwise unclear;
- (3) Disqualify the entire AG and discontinue benefits; and
- (4) Send a notice of adverse action in accordance with rule 5101:6-2-04 of the Administrative Code.

(C) How is eligibility regained when there has been a disqualification for substantial lottery or gambling winnings?

- (1) When there have not been changes to the AG composition after a disqualification for substantial lottery or gambling winnings, to end the disqualification and regain eligibility the AG is to:
 - (a) Complete the application process as defined in rule 5101:4-2-01 of the Administrative Code;
 - (b) Have eligibility determined without waiving the income and resource eligibility factors in accordance with rule 5101:4-2-02 of the Administrative Code; and



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- (c) Have not improperly transferred resources for the purpose of qualifying or attempting to qualify for SNAP as described in rule 5101:4-4-09 of the Administrative Code; or
- (2) When there have been changes to the AG composition after a disqualification for substantial lottery or gambling winnings, all AG members may regain eligibility when the AG requests benefits and all eligibility factors have been met; or
- (3) When at least one of the originally discontinued AG members has regained eligibility and then the original AG requests benefits together, the disqualification is to be ended and the AG may regain eligibility when the AG requests benefits and all eligibility factors have been met.